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SURVEY BY NATIONAL SAMPLE SURVEY ORGANISATION .
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Sample Survey Organization have completed their survey for the quinquennium 1994-1999;

(b) if so, the time by which the report is expected to be made public;

(c) whether the information processed so far contradicts the trends disclosed by the Annual `thin Sample` surveys undertaken by the same organization annually through each of the five years in question;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps being taken to ensure greater congruence between the results of annual surveys and the quinquennial surveys?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTIC PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS PUBLIC GRIEVANCES IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PNSIONS AND MINISTER OF ST THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT.

(SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) & (b) The National Sample Survey Organisation completed the field work,tabulations and release of results of all the surveys upto 54th round and the field work in respect of 55th (July 1999 to June 2000) round was completed by the end of June, 2000.The key results of Consumer Expenditure Survey based on the data collected during July - December 1999

(six months) in the 55th round has also been released.

(c) (d) & (e) The main subject of enquiry varies from round to round and the subjects covered since 51st round are the following:-

Round	Main Subject
51	Unorganised manufacture.
52	Health care, participation in education.
53	Non-directory trading establishments & own account trading enterprise.
54	Use of common property resources, sanitation & hygiene services.
55	Informal non-agricultural enterprises.

However in each of the survey rounds 51 to 54, a small number of households were also surveyed for consumer expenditure and employment & unemployment. The results of these thin sample surveys are subject to large sampling errors due to small sample size. Greater congruence of results can be achieved only by conducting large scale sample surveys on consumer expenditure every year involving the need for additional manpower and financial resources.